



Guide to the Society of Engineering Office Workers Records LR000997

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Summary Information

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Abstract:	The Society of Engineering Office Workers (SEOW), was an organized union surrounding the engineering office workers of the automotive industry. While the organization is no longer operating, its history and relationship with Michigan and the automotive industry still lingers in current union groups.

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History

The Society of Engineering Office Workers began in Westland, Michigan on February 4, 1969. There are a handful of materials within the collection that are dated earlier, likely due to the research in both the building of the union and the strengthening of their goals. A number of Presidents are mentioned throughout the collection, including Edmund Kotula, Joseph Pazzanese, and Paul Zatyko (this collection's donor). SEOW represented the automotive industry's design engineers during a time of turbulence in the country. While the union lasted nearly three decades, the SEOW eventually went defunct and remains a part of the history of union movements within both the state of Michigan and the United States as a whole.

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Scope and Content

This collection contains 3 series.

Series 1: Department Files, 1954-1979 The Departmental Files contains materials pertaining to the history and the inner-workings of the SEOW, including program flyers, correspondence, constitution drafts, meeting minutes, and contract negotiations.

Series 2: Membership Files, 1971-1976 The Membership Files deal heavily with membership information, particularly dues and membership meeting agendas.

Series 3: Newsletters, 1968-1980 The Newsletters contain a variety of newsletters pertaining to the SEOW, spanning over nearly a decade.

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Arrangement

The collection is arranged into 3 series. Series 1 (Boxes 1-3, 7), Series 2 (Boxes 3-5), and Series 3 (Boxes 6-7). Folders in each series are simply listed by their location within each box. They are semi-arranged, so any given subject may be dispersed throughout several boxes within each series.

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Acquisition

Materials were deposited at the Walter P. Reuther Library by Paul Zatyko in 1982, and again in 1998.

Processing History

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Access

Collection is open for research.

Use

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Controlled Access Headings

- Union dues
- Labor unions--Michigan--Detroit--History

Collection Inventory

Series 1: Departmental Files

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1st Annual S.E.O.W. Family Picnic, 1972	Box 1	Folder 1
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